

**Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection,
Classified by Weight, weekending: Sept 16, 2000**

Trade sentiment was about steady. Demand was light to fair. Offerings were at least adequate for current needs. Wings were in good balance and moving. Breast items were fully adequate to ample. Other items were at least adequate to fully adequate. Weights were mostly desirable.

Weight Range	FOOD SERVICE/			
	<u>FAST FOOD</u> 4.20 & Down	<u>RETAIL</u> 4.21 – 5.25	<u>DEBONING</u> 5.26 & Up	<u>TOTAL</u> ---
Total (000)	30,943	40,852	32,411	104,206
Percentage	30%	39%	31%	100%

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

<u>Live Weight</u>	<u>RTC WOG Weight</u>	<u>No. of Head</u> (000)	<u>Percentage of</u> <u>Total Slaughter</u>
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	2,402	2.30
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. - 2 lbs., 10 oz.	11,940	11.46
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2 lbs., 10 oz. - 2 lbs., 12 oz.	11,684	11.21
4.01 - 4.20 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz. - 2 lbs., 14 oz.	4,917	4.72
		30,943	29.69 %

BROILER EGGS SET/CHICKS PLACED IN 15 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

BROILER EGGS SET, CHICKS PLACED IN 10 WEEKS COMPARED WITH PREVIOUS YEAR					BROILER CHICKS PLACED 7 WEEKS COMPARED WITH PREVIOUS YEAR					
Slaughter Week	Egg Sets		Chicks Placed		Eggs Set 10 Weeks Previous		Chicks Placed 7 Weeks Previous		Prelim. Fed. Insp. Million head Slaughtered	
	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% * *
Aug 05	177,117	98	141,330	97	185,965	101	148,907	100	155,250	98
Aug 12	178,578	100	142,537	98	186,724	102	149,769	101	159,036	102
Aug 19	180,473	100	142,095	100	186,016	100	150,127	102	158,583	100
Aug 26	178,487	100	143,874	102	183,277	100	147,292	100	160,646	101
Sept 02	176,629	101	142,722	102	181,652	101	144,609	100	157,965	98
Sept 09	172,039	104	144,549	103	174,920	97	141,111	99	134,859	85
Sept 16	171,663	101	142,722	101	175,519	98	140,279	99	160,820	119
Sept 23	170,056	102	140,988	101	178,834	98	142,276	98	155,155	96

Data in bold are subject to revision *Percent of previous year **Percent change from previous week

Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.)

Week of 10/02/00

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Previous Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
New York Grade A Ice-packed	46.07	50.63	44.20
Chicago Grade A Ice-packed	49.32	51.10	44.55
Los Angeles Grade A Ice-packed	65.71	65.78	63.15
12-City Composite Weighted Avg.	56.46	57.72	53.01
Georgia Dock FOB Final Weighted Avg.	60.05	60.33	57.45
Southern States FOB Whole Body 5 day Avg. Index	47.59	50.26	30.18

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)

Weekly Weighted Average

	<u>Northeast</u> (Delivered) <u>09/29/00</u>	<u>Southern</u> States (FOB) <u>09/29/00</u>	<u>Georgia</u> (FOB) <u>10/02/00</u>
Breast - B/S	139.71	147.74	153.50
Tenderloins	214.42	220.02	---
Breast - Line Run	62.63	74.01	74.00 (Whole)
Leg Quarters	28.09	25.87	29.50
Wings	75.32	65.65	67.50